

36-21-1. Definition -- Deadline for state governmental entities filing legislation -- Waiver.

- (1) "Governmental entity" means:
 - (a) the executive branch of the state, including all departments, institutions, boards, divisions, bureaus, offices, commissions, committees, and elected officials;
 - (b) the judicial branch of the state, including the courts, the Judicial Council, the Office of the Court Administrator, and similar administrative units in the judicial branch;
 - (c) the State Board of Education, the State Board of Regents, and any state-funded institution of higher education or public education;
 - (d) the National Guard;
 - (e) all quasi independent entities created by statute; and
 - (f) any political subdivision of the state, including any county, city, town, school district, public transit district, redevelopment agency, special improvement or taxing district.
- (2) Legislation requested by a governmental entity may not be considered by the Legislature during the annual general session unless:
 - (a) at the time the request for legislation is made it has a legislative sponsor;
 - (b) the request for legislation is filed with the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel by December 1st of the year immediately before the Legislature's annual general session; and
 - (c) at the time the request for legislation is filed, it includes the purpose of the measure and all necessary drafting information.
- (3) The Legislature, by motion and with the approval of a majority vote in one house, may waive this requirement.
- (4) It is the intent of the Legislature that these agency requests will not be given higher priority than individual legislative requests filed at a later date.

Enacted by Chapter 44, 1995 General Session